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## Policy Brief..... Fiscal Year 2002 Transportation Appropriations

### BY THE NUMBERS:

*Budget Authority in Thousands of Dollars*

	<b>FY '01</b>	<b>FY '02 Request</b>	<b>FY '02 Cmte Bill</b>
Appropriations	16,292,000	14,891,059	14,892,575
Emergency Spending	720,000	0	0
<b>Grand Total</b>			
<b>General Purpose</b>	<b>17,012,000</b>	<b>14,891,059</b>	<b>14,892,575</b>
<i>Mass Transit</i>	<i>1,254,400</i>	<i>1,349,200</i>	<i>1,349,200</i>

**Excluding Emergency Spending, the Committee bill appropriates \$1.4 billion or 8.6% less than last year in General Purpose Discretionary Spending.**

**Including Emergency Spending, the bill is \$2.12 billion or 12.5% below last year in General Purpose Discretionary Spending.**

**The bill is \$1.5 million or 0.1% above President Bush's Request in General Purpose discretionary Spending.**

It should be noted that General Purpose Discretionary totaled \$12.4 billion in Fiscal Year 2000. The pending bill is a 20% increase over two years ago. Last year's level was inflated by several billion dollars in one-time spending for projects. It should be further noted that the Appropriations has had less and less discretion over funding levels as a result of TEA-21 and AIR-21 which have mandated increases in spending.

## FUNDING SUMMARIES:

	FY 2001 ENACTED	FY 2002 REQUEST	FY 2002 CMTE	VERSUS ENACTED	VERSUS REQUEST	VERSUS ENACTED	VERSUS REQUEST
<b>Office of the Secretary</b>							
Salaries and expenses.....	63,106	69,500	67,726	4,620	-1,774	7.32%	-2.55%
Office of civil rights.....	8,122	8,500	8,500	+378	0	4.65%	0.00%
Transportation planning, research, and development.....	10,976	5,193	5,193	-5,783	0	-52.69%	0.00%
Minority business resource center program.....	1,896	900	900	-996	0	-52.53%	0.00%
(Limitation on guaranteed loans).....	(13,775)	(18,367)	(18,367)	+4,592	0	33.34%	0.00%
Minority business outreach.....	2,993	3,000	3,000	+7	0	0.23%	0.00%
Payments to air carriers.....	0	0	13,000	+13,000	+13,000		
Total, Office of the Secretary.....	87,093	87,093	98,319	+11,226	+11,226	12.89%	12.89%

	FY 2001 ENACTED	FY 2002 REQUEST	FY 2002 CMTE	VERSUS ENACTED	VERSUS REQUEST	VERSUS ENACTED	VERSUS REQUEST
<b>Coast Guard</b>							
Operating expenses.....	3,185,033	3,382,838	3,382,588	+197,555	-250	6.20%	-0.01%
Acquisition, construction, and improvements.....	414,131	659,323	600,000	+185,869	-59,323	44.88%	-9.00%
Environmental compliance and restoration.....	16,663	16,927	16,927	+264	0	1.58%	0.00%
Alteration of bridges.....	15,465	15,466	15,466	+1	0	0.01%	0.00%
Retired pay.....	778,000	876,346	876,346	+98,346	0	12.64%	0.00%
Reserve training.....	80,199	83,194	83,194	+2,995	0	3.73%	0.00%
Research, development, test, and evaluation.....	21,280	21,722	21,722	+442	0	2.08%	0.00%
Trust Fund Share of Expenses (Across the Board Cut).	-108	0	0	-108	0	-100.00%	0.00%
Total, Coast Guard .....	4,510,663	5,055,816	4,996,243	+485,580	-59,573	10.77%	-1.18%

	FY 2001 ENACTED	FY 2002 REQUEST	FY 2002 CMTE	VERSUS ENACTED	VERSUS REQUEST	VERSUS ENACTED	VERSUS REQUEST
<b>Amtrak</b>							
Capital grants to Amtrak .....	520,329	521,476	521,476	+1,147	0	0.22%	0.00%
Amtrak Reform Council.....	748	785	785	+37	0	4.95%	0.00%

	FY 2001 ENACTED	FY 2002 REQUEST	FY 2002 CMTE	VERSUS ENACTED	VERSUS REQUEST	VERSUS ENACTED	VERSUS REQUEST
Total, Federal Aviation Administration .....	11,981,303	12,956,781	12,974,481	+993,178	+17,700	8.29%	0.14%
Total, Federal Highway Administration .....	31,383,966	32,518,157	32,665,797	+1,281,831	+147,640	4.08%	0.45%
Total, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration .....	268,603	343,844	298,203	+29,600	-45,641	11.02%	-13.27%
Total, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.....	402,988	419,000	419,420	+16,432	+420	4.08%	0.10%
Total, Federal Railroad Administration .....	743,978	651,258	684,412	-59,566	33,154	-8.01%	5.09%

## LEGISLATIVE LANGUAGE:

The bill does not include the prohibition on new CAFÉ standards that has been carried in the past.

The bill does contain a new provision directing the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority to correctly identify the Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport on all signs, maps and publications.

## earmarks:

### The Administration included the following in their SAP:

Earmarks in Aviation, Highway, and Transit Programs

The Administration is very concerned about the level of earmarking in this bill. **The bill contains approximately \$1.6 billion in earmarks for more than 900 projects, approximately \$300 million and more than 300 projects over the FY 2001 House Committee version of the bill.** In some Departmental activities, such as bus and bus facilities programs, the Committee has earmarked 100 percent of the available funding. The Committee's level of earmarked funding diminishes the Department's ability to distribute these funds based on merit or in support of an overall transportation infrastructure funding strategy.

The RSC is in the process of compiling a list of all the earmarks contained in the bill and report.

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